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TITLE OF INVENTION: GREETING CARDS, POSTCARDS, GIFT BAGS, AND THE LIKE EMPLOYING A SPECIAL EFFECTS CONTAINER

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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